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The Case of Smithson vs. Stanton.

[From the Washington Evening Star of 14th.]

Hon. Henry Stanberry and W. Y. Fendall,

Esq., as counsel for Secretary Stanton in the

suit pending against him before the Supreme

Court of this District, have filed amended pleas.

It will be recollected that William T. Smith-

son, formerly in the banking business in this

city, was arrested during the war by the military

authorities, and was tried, by military

commission and found guilty of giving aid and

information to the enemy, and sentenced to the

Albany penitentiary, but was subsequently

pardoned. For his arrest and imprisonment

he now claims damages to the amount of

\$50,000.

The defence had previously put in a plea of

not guilty, and having obtained leave have

filed additional pleas. The first special plea

is that the said Smithson, at the headquarters

of the army, while the armies were besieging the

city, did act as a spy, contrary to the Articles

of War, and give the enemies of the Govern-

ment information under the fictitious name of

Chas. R. Cables, and encouraged them to as-

sault the garrison of this city, and imparted

information to John Johnson, (meaning Andrew

Johnson, of Tenn.), who was entering

into an arrangement for the employment of

men to go to Tennessee and Kentucky, to turn

bridges, destroy machine shops, &c., and fur-

nished the said Smithson with further intent

to give aid and comfort to the enemies of the

United States, acted as a banker, broker, and

financial agent for the enemies of the United

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Among the letters brought forward to estab-

lish the first plea is the following:

"Dec. 28, 1861.—Dear Gen: I wrote you

yesterday giving you some information addi-

tional to that contained in my despatch the

day before. I omitted to say yesterday that I

enclosed a despatch from my friend Mrs.

Greenhow, which I hope reached you to-day.

I also enclosed one from my friend B. To-

day I have it in my power to say that Kelly

is advancing on Winchester. Stone and Banks

are to cross and go to Leesburg. Burnside's

fleet is to engage the batteries on the Potomac,

and McClellan & Co. will move on Centerville

and Manassas. This move will be made next

week. As I remarked yesterday, be prepared

for them on every hand and at every moment.

McClellan and Sidel have been given up and

the Hall clique are furious. Look out for a smash

up. I send you the papers containing Seward's

letter, &c.

"Now, my dear General, look out for a large

army and tell your men (God bless them) to

cut and slay until the last man is destroyed!

don't allow one to come back to tell the sad

tale. No living man ever made such a desper-

ate effort as McClellan will make, nevertheless

I believe he is a coward and is afraid to meet

you. If some coward is not hatched up, you

may certainly expect an attack next week. My

God! Gen., give them the most awful whip-

ping that any army ever received. McClellan's

army will certainly number 180,000 or one

hundred and eighty-five thousand men, per-

haps more. Let our next greeting be in

Washington. You shall have a warm recep-

tion. I write in some haste."

THE RADICAL TARIFF.—The Chicago Trib-

une is one of the most violent of the Radicals;

but from the following, appreciates, on the

tariiff question, the difference between skinning

and being skinned:

"There has been considerable bluster and

loud talking about an impeachment of Andrew

Johnson, but in the light of the tariff swindle,

that scheme is rapidly becoming, in public

estimation, a mere threat to frighten the Pres-

ident from retreating the act. Congress has been

exclusively intent upon maturing the scheme to

plunder the farmers and producing interests of

the country to enrich and pamper an aristoc-

rary of speculators. Everything has been sacri-

ficed to this scheme of robbery. Reconstruction,

sufrage, the national finances, all have been

made subservient to this one thing—the

imposition of a seventy per cent. tax on the

producing classes of the country for the

benefit of the monopolists."

UNDERGROUND RAILWAY OF LONDON.—A

New York business man writes from London

under date January 20: "Not the least of

its extensive system of underground railways.

It is perfectly wonderful how they jork the

people about, at the rate of about fifteen miles

an hour, from one end of the town to another,

and across and around, stopping about every

half mile, at some prominent corner, at a sta-

tion, from which you emerge to the upper air,

and find yourself somewhere near where you

want to be, and miles from where you were

a half or three-quarters of an hour ago. These

trains run each way, being double tracks, about

every ten minutes, and morning and evening;

they often consist of seven or eight cars, hold-

ing thirty or forty people each. The cars are

lighted with gas—not the tunnels, except at

stations—so that you can read your papers;

and there is no smell of smoke, or sense of

suffocation. How they ventilate them so well

I can hardly see."

DEATH OF A HERMIT.—John Webb, an

Englishman, who has for many years lived

the life of a hermit in a little solitary cabin in

the town of Victory, in Essex county, Vermont,

died a few days since from the effects of a fall

received while sawing wood. He brought with

him from London a large quantity of gold,

which he hoarded in the expectation that Vic-

tory would some time become a city, when he

would invest it in land speculations at the

proper time and become immensely rich. His

sons who lived in London, frequently urged

the return of their father to that city; but his

faith in the ultimate grandeur of Victory held

him firm until his death, doubtless stimulated

by the growth of Victory in twenty years

past from a population of 140 to 212, and an in-

crease of valuation.—Vermont paper.

COURT NOTICES.

VIRGINIA.—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Alexandria county, on the 4th day of February, 1867, Clarendon K. Mason and William R. Johnson, Jr., plaintiffs, against David P. Bodfish, Alexander Mills, Martin L. Sheldon and A. Grant Childs, joint partners under the name and style of Bodfish, Mills & Co., and the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway Company, defendants. In chancery and on attachment.

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendants the sum of \$25,750.75, and to subject certain bonds to the satisfaction of the said Bodfish, Mills & Co., and to the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway Company; also, any stock in said company to which they are entitled, and any other estate or debts due them within the county of Alexandria, to the payment of the same.

The defendants, David P. Bodfish, Alexander Mills, Martin L. Sheldon and A. Grant Childs, joint partners under the name and style of Bodfish, Mills & Co., not having entered their appearance and given security according to the act of Assembly, it is ordered that they are not residents of this State, it is ordered that the said defendants appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court house of this County.

A copy, teste, J. TACEY, Clerk.

Brent & Wattle, P. Q. feb 14-law4w

VIRGINIA.—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Alexandria county, on the 4th day of February, 1867, Herndon K. Bradshaw, plaintiff, against David P. Bodfish, Alexander Mills, Martin L. Sheldon and A. Grant Childs, joint partners under the name and style of Bodfish, Mills & Co., defendants. In chancery and on attachment.

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendants the sum of \$10,000, with interest on \$4,000, part thereof from October 15, 1866, and on \$6,000, another part thereof, from November 15, 1866, till paid, and to subject the debts due, and to become due, from the defendants, the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway Company, to the defendants, Bodfish, Mills & Co., and also any other estate or debts due the said Bodfish, Mills & Co.

The defendants, Bodfish, Mills & Co., not having entered their appearance and given security according to the act of Assembly and the rules of this Court, it is ordered that they are not residents of this State, it is ordered that the said defendants appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court house of this County. A copy, teste, J. TACEY, Clerk.

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IN FAIRFAX COUNTY COURT, November term, A. Stoddard vs. A. Aldrich. In chancery.

And the Court doth further adjudge and decree that this cause be referred to M. D. Ball, one of the Master Commissioners of this Court, to ascertain and report the several liens, amounts, priorities, and to whom due, existing on the 20th day of February, 1867, in the bill and proceedings mentioned, and that he ascertain the fee-simple and annual value of said land, and to this end that he convene the creditors of said Aldrich by notice, for at least four weeks, in some newspaper, of the time and place of taking such account. Notice shall be equivalent to personal service on all interested, and that he report his proceedings thereon to the next term of this Court, with any matter he may deem pertinent, or that either party interested may require. An extract—Teste, F. D. RICHARDSON, Clerk.

Parties interested in the above decree are notified that I will take the accounts therein ordered, at my office, at Fairfax Court House, on SATURDAY, the 16th day of March, next. M. DULANY BALL, Comm'r. in Chancery.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY, in the November term, 1866, William E. Moore vs. S. G. Miller. In chancery.

The Court doth adjudge, order and decree, that M. D. Ball, one of the Master Commissioners of this Court, do ascertain and report the several liens, amounts, priorities, and to whom due, and their respective priorities, together with all debts due from said defendant and to whom, and that said Commissioner do ascertain the annual value of the place of said S. G. Miller, in some newspaper printed in the city of Alexandria, which advertisement shall be regarded as equivalent to personal service, and that he report his proceedings thereon to the next term of this Court, with any matter he may deem pertinent, or that any party interested may require. An extract—Teste, W. B. GOODING, Clerk.

Parties interested in the above decree are hereby notified that I will proceed to examine the accounts, at my office, at Fairfax C. H., on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of February, next. M. DULANY BALL, Comm'r. in Chancery.

VIRGINIA.—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Alexandria county, on the 7th day of January, 1867, James M. Wallace, complainant, against M. P. Stover, defendant. In chancery and upon an attachment.

The object of this suit is to recover from the defendant, Solomon Stover, the sum of \$2,000, with interest from the 3rd of June, 1861, and to subject his interest in certain real estate in the city of Alexandria, Va., situated on the north-west intersection of Duke and Payne streets, and known as the Jail property, to the payment of the same.

The defendants, Solomon Stover and Wm. F. Kephart, not having entered their appearance and given security according to the act of Assembly and the rules of this Court, and it appearing by affidavit that they are not residents of this State, it is ordered that they appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court House of this County. A copy, teste, J. TACEY, Clerk.

John M. Orr, P. Q. jan 15-law4w

VIRGINIA.—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Alexandria county, on the 7th day of January, 1867, Henry Studds and Daniel Pulman, copartners in trade, under the name and style of Studds & Pulman, complainants, against David P. Bodfish, Alexander Mills, Martin L. Sheldon and A. Grant Childs, joint partners under the name and style of Bodfish, Mills & Co., and the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway Company, defendants. In chancery and upon an attachment.

The object of this suit is to recover from the defendants, Bodfish, Mills & Co., the sum of \$3,000; and to subject the bonds, funds or stock of the said Bodfish, Mills & Co., the Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway Company, due and belonging to the said Bodfish, Mills & Co., to the payment of the same.

The defendants, Bodfish, Mills & Co., not having entered their appearance and given security according to the act of Assembly and the rules of this Court, and it appearing by affidavit that they are not residents of this State, it is ordered that they appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court House of this County. A copy, teste, J. TACEY, Clerk.

W. Arthur Taylor, P. Q. jan 16-law4w

COURT NOTICES.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY, November term, 1866, Francis P. Crocker, et al., vs. J. C. Gannell, et al., et al., et al. In chancery.

The Court doth adjudge, order and decree, that M. D. Ball, one of the Master Commissioners of this Court, do ascertain and report to the next term of this Court, the fee-simple and annual value of the real estate in the bill and proceedings mentioned; also, the debts and priorities whether the rents and profits thereof will pay the debt of the complainant in five years; and that he report his proceedings hereon to the next term of this Court, with any matter he may deem pertinent, or which may be required to be specially stated. In taking the said account the Commissioner is authorized to give notice of the time and place, once a week for four weeks, in some newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, which shall be regarded as equivalent to personal service upon all the parties interested. Extract—Teste, W. B. GOODING, Clerk.

Notice is hereby given that I will proceed to execute the provisions of this decree, at my office, at Fairfax Ct. House, on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of February, next. M. DULANY BALL, Comm'r. in Chancery.

VIRGINIA.—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Prince William county, on the 6th day of February, 1867, John F. Johnson vs. Basil Brawner and Malinda, his wife, Redman F. Brawner, Stephen E. Meade, John H. Sullivan and the heirs of William Brawner, whose names are unknown, defendants. In chancery.

The object of this suit is to obtain a deed for a certain tract of land in the county of Prince William, near Manassas Junction, containing about 102 acres, purchased by the plaintiff of the defendant, Redman F. Brawner, attorney in fact for the defendant, John H. Sullivan.

The defendants, Stephen E. Meade, John H. Sullivan, and the heirs of Wm. Brawner, whose names are unknown, not having appeared and given security according to the act of Assembly and the rules of this Court, and it appearing by affidavit that they are not residents of this State, it is ordered that the said defendants appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court House of this County. A copy, teste, M. B. SINCLAIR, Clerk.

A. Nicol, P. Q. feb 8-law4w

VIRGINIA. to wit:—In the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, February rules, 1867, Richard M. Veir, administrator of John Willcox, deceased, vs. S. J. Hoag, O. W. Hunt and Henry Tyler. In chancery.

Mem:—The object of this suit is to attach in the hands of the defendants, O. W. Hunt and Henry Tyler, any moneys in their hands, due or to become due to the defendant, S. J. Hoag, individually or as commissioner for the sale of a house and lot in the town of Providence, in a certain suit depending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, in which said Hoag is complainant and said S. J. Hoag is defendant. In case of default of said S. J. Hoag, the said O. W. Hunt and Henry Tyler, any moneys in their hands, due or to become due to the defendant, S. J. Hoag, individually or as commissioner for the sale of a house and lot in the town of Providence, in a certain suit depending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, in which said Hoag is complainant and said S. J. Hoag is defendant. A copy, teste, W. B. GOODING, Clerk.

Love, P. Q. feb 7-law4w

VIRGINIA. to wit:—In the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Fairfax county, February rules, 1867, Magnus M. Lewis, plaintiff, against A. C. N. Smith, defendant. In case.

Mem:—The object of this suit is to obtain a judgment against the said defendant for \$114, with interest thereon from 19th March, 1861, and to attach the interest of the defendant in and to a tract of land in the county of Fairfax, containing 20 acres, 1 rood and 29 perches, situate in the said county, and conveyed to Alex. A. Smith, by Allan Macrae, to pay the same. It appearing by affidavit filed that the said defendant is not a resident of this State, it is ordered that he appear within one month after due publication hereof, and do what is necessary to protect his interest. A copy, teste, F. D. RICHARDSON, Clerk.

Brent & Wattle, P. Q. feb 7-law4w

TO JOHN S. RIDGLEY, A NON RESIDENT OF THE STATE:—Take notice that the undersigned, a creditor secured by deed of conveyance, dated August 18, 1866, and recorded among the records of Alexandria county, in Liber S. No. 3, page 12, will apply to the County Court of Alexandria county, at its April term, 1867, for the appointment of a trustee in the place of R. H. Hunt, the trustee named therein, he having declined to accept the trust; which said trustee so substituted shall have all the rights, powers, duties and responsibilities of the trustee named in said deed.

Dated Alexandria, February 13, 1867. GEO. W. BRENT.

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